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Manufacture of a chuck lathe for China was completed in February 1954 at the Meuselwitz engineering works. Three more lathes are under construction. The order for China received in the past month calls for three toothed-gear milling machines, a vertical milling machine, and a drill set. The order probably will not be completed by the date called for because shortages of material are hampering production. The Kalbe steel works are unable to keep their delivery commitments because a blast furnace has broken down and the plant is also handicapped by a shortage of coke.

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